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Addendum

IV. PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

D. Evaluation (continued)

Human settlements

1. At its 4th through 6th meetings, on 10 and 11 May 1993, the Committee considered the triennial review of the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee at its thirtieth session on the evaluation of the major programme on human settlements (E/AC.51/1993/4).

Discussion

2. A number of delegations felt that the report met the requirements set for it. Many delegations regretted the poor implementation of several of CPC's recommendations by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) and the units concerned with human settlements in the regional commissions, in particular, recommendations concerning coordination. The same delegations noted that financial constraints had been mentioned as the reason for this low implementation. A number of delegations shared the view expressed in paragraph 18 of the triennial review that during periods of financial constraint coordination in programme planning was critical to ensure efficient use of resources by avoiding the duplication of work. Several delegations stated that the main cause for the low implementation appeared to be more of a lack of will than lack of resources.

Recommendations

3. The Committee endorsed the recommendations contained in paragraphs 55, 56, 57 and 58 of the report, [on the understanding that, for the recommendation contained in paragraph 56, the NGOs to be consulted in the preparatory stages of the programme planning process should be those NGOs having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council].